

Indian Agricultural Research Institute and the All India Coordinated Floriculture Improvement Project.

(c) An ad-hoc scheme entitled "Investigation on the genetic and other methods for improvement of yield and quality of roses for rose oil in India" was implemented by the ICAR at 5 centres, including Udaipur (Rajasthan) for a period of 5 years from 1983 to 1988. Udaipur centre has developed a very useful technology on propagation of *Rose damascena*, standardisation of agro-techniques for higher production of roses and increased yield of rose oil. A promising strain of *Rose damascena* has been identified for cultivation in the State of Rajasthan.

News-Items Captioned 'Jail Ko Apradh Nagri Bannen Se Kaise Roka Jai'

6927. SHRI S.N. VEKARIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Jail Ko Apradh Nagri Bannen Se Kaise Roka Jai" appearing in 'Navbharat Times' dated August 19, 1991;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) A news-item appeared in Navbharat Times in its issue of August 19, 1991 primarily relating to the over crowding of prisoners in Tihar Jail and certain inadequacies in jail administration.

(b) The Delhi Administration has taken measures for augmenting the jail capacity, providing better medical care, ensuring greater welfare of the prisoners and provid-

ing increased security inside the jail.

Property Tax Cases Pending In Courts of Delhi

6928. SHRI S.N. VEKARIA:
SHRI TARA CHAND KHAN-
DELWAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Sampati Kar Vivadon Ki Sankhya Main Lagatar Vridhi" appearing in "Navbharat Times" dated August 17, 1991.

(b) if so the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) the number of cases of property tax pending in the various courts of Delhi; and

(d) the steps being taken to expedite those cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) and (b). A news-item captioned "Sampati Kar Vivadon Ki Sankhya Main Lagatar Vridhi" which appeared in Navbharat Times, dated 17th August, 1991, stated that there was an increase in the number of property tax cases in various courts in Delhi. The Municipal Corporation of Delhi has reported that the cases filed in the courts during the years 1987-1990 do not indicate any increase. Their number years-wise is as follows:

Years	Number of Cases Filed
1987	2677